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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 25, 2008, applicants hereby elect without traverse to prosecute the claims of Group I (claims 1, 3-6, 8-11 and 14-18) at this time.

Early and favorable consideration of the case is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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